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TO-1390 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 85268 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 10/531,362 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/EP2003/011383 October 14, 2003 October 16, 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION PRE-FILTER MATERIAL APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US **ANTONIO GIANGRASSO** Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. ⊠ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), 3. (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. Please do not delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). The US has been elected (Article 31). 므 A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. a. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. have been communicated by the International Bureau. b. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. C. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. □ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 10. 😐 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or information included: 11. 🗆 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. 😐 An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

- 13. 🗆 A preliminary amendment.
- An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 14. □
- **15**. □ A substitute specification.
- 16. <u>□</u> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. □ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13 ter. 2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
- 18. 😐 A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 19. 😐 A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 14, 2005. We have not received the return post card with the Serial No., or any communication from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application.

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